

An Apple A Day!

Hello Parents/Guardians and Families!

My name is Candace Marcotte and I will be student teaching in Mrs. Baker's classroom from now until November 23rd. I am so excited to



be teaching the 4th grade! Currently, I am attending the University of Michigan-Dearborn in pursuit of my Bachelors degree in Education. My major is in Language Arts, with a minor in Science.

Teaching Style:

My belief is that students learn better through hands-on experience. In class, we will be doing many activities that deal with learning through visual aids, listening exercises and hands on experiments. The goal is to develop your child's potential to its fullest by



challenging and encouraging input from the students and parents. We will also be doing many class presentations to get the students comfortable with public speaking, as it is a skill that should be developed early on in life. Among everything, I believe that education should be fun and interesting, so we will be taking some abstract approaches to learning.

Technology in the Class!

One of those ways to make learning interesting, is through the use of technology. The world around us is developing into a more high-tech society every minute. By the time that your child reaches middle school, they should feel confident in many different software applications. We will focus on

Microsoft Word and Microsoft Power Point. Through the use of these programs, your child will have more confidence and feel better-equipped for the road ahead of him or her. Also, the



students will be using the Internet, in a very structured and secure way, through the use of Web Quests. It is a learning lesson based upon a specific idea that uses the Internet as a primary resource. I have created one based on the Oregon Trail as an example:

<http://teacherweb.com/MI/UniversityofMichigan-Dearborn/TheOregonTrailThenandNow/>

It is believed that it is important to start implementing these technologies early in life for a strong future.

Topics Covered!

One of our most in depth lessons in these few months, will be the early Michigan history and how they lived in the early 1800's. To conclude our lesson, we will take a field trip to Green Field Village. Included in this trip, we will have class



in the one-room school house in the Village. The students will be encouraged to dress in the times and pack lunches according to them. More details will be given when the time nears. If this trip sounds interesting to chaperone, please contact me!

Contact Ms. Marcotte!

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Orientation Day!



This year's Orientation Night will be held on September 9th at 6:30 p.m. All family members are welcome to come for a night of fun and refreshments. We will go through a condensed day and go over the agenda for the year. If you cannot attend or send a representative of the family, please contact me and I will send you the missed information. I am looking forward to meeting everyone!



Supply List for the Classroom:

- Pens and Pencils
- Glue (Stick or Bottle)
- 1 Notebook
- 2 folders
- A pair of old socks (puppet craft project)
- 1 box of Kleenex
- A picture of the student
- **Good Attitude and a smile!**

Any of these products can be found at local stores. If you have trouble obtaining any of the materials for any reason, please feel free to contact me.

It is my privilege and honor to work with you and the next generation. Together, we can mold the minds of future leader.

Formatting/Content Required	Points Possible	Points Awarded
Introduction provides relevant information	2	2
Teaching style clearly described	2	2
Plan to use technology clearly stated	2	2
Plan for communication articulated	2	2
Different font styles (size, bold, underline etc.)	1	1
Word Art	1	1
Text box, auto shape or lines	2	2
Color fill/line/font color	1	1
Table	1	1
Clip Art	1	1
Text wrapping	1	1
Proper spelling and grammar	2	1
Hyperlink to website	1	1
File named correctly	1	1

Comments:

Total Grade: 19/20